



Orangeville OPP Detachment Board **2024 Annual Report**

Under ss.68(1)(f) of the Community Safety Policing Act, 2019 (CSPA), most of which came into force on April 1, 2024, the Board is required to provide an annual report to Orangeville Town Council regarding the policing provided in our community by the Dufferin Detachment of the OPP.

This report is composed of two parts:

1. **Part 1** - local initiatives that the Board has prioritized in consultation with the Detachment Commander, including, for example, budgeting and community engagement activities of the Board, Crime Information described in **Board Policy D3(n)** not included in Part 2 and any additional information Town Council has requested be included in the report, including:
 - o the latest Board Action Register showing Board projects and status; and
 - o the latest Board General Service Standards Workplan (**Board Policy D3(t)**).

Part 1 information is attached to this Report as Appendix "A".

2. **Part 2** - an operational portion which includes provincial and local information on policing provided by the Ministry, the OPP and the Detachment Commander consisting of (see **Board Policy D3(p)/Board Policy D3(r)**):
 - o the most recent (2023-2025) Strategic Plan issued by the Minister under CSPA s.61;
 - o the most recent (2023-2025) Local Action Plan prepared by the Detachment Commander in consultation with the Board under CSPA s.70;
 - o the 2022 annual Progress Report prepared by the Dufferin Detachment of the OPP relative to the 2020-2022 Local Action Plan¹. Note, 2023 Progress Report is pending; and
 - o the OPP Commissioner's Annual Report² issued under CSPA s.58.

Part 2 documents are attached to this Report as Appendix "B".

To the extent the latest Local Action Plan/Progress Report is not available from the Detachment Commander by June 30th in any year, the Board will, nevertheless, prepare and submit the most recent available copy of such document with an explanation for the delay, a partial Annual Report to Town Council containing whatever Part 1 information is available, and an undertaking to forward any missing Part 2 information when received in final form from the Detachment Commander.

Council may obtain any document referred to in this Report, which is not attached or provided by hyperlink, from Mary Lou Archer the Board EA.

Approved by the Board effective June , 2024

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Todd Taylor – Chair

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Ian McSweeney – Vice-Chair

¹ In addition, the Detachment Commander's quarterly reports received by the Board at its meetings are provided to Council after each meeting.

² Note – in the absence of a report from the Commissioner per CSPA s.58, the 2021 OPP Report under ss.17(4) of the old Police Services Act is provided to Council.

Appendix “A”

Part 1 Information

TAB	ATTACHED DOCUMENT
1.	Board Initiatives
2.	Latest Board Action Register showing Board projects and status
3.	Latest Board General Service Standards Workplan in the form attached to Board Policy D3(t)

Appendix “A” – Tab 1 Board Initiatives

Board Governance Framework

Over the 12 month period ending November 2023 the Board was heavily engaged in revising its governance framework to reflect best practices and compliance with the *Police Services Act* and regulations (PSA). Effective April 1, 2024 the PSA was replaced by the *Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019* and related regulations (CSPA). In conjunction with the introduction of the CSPA O. Reg. 135/24 was introduced to consolidate the number of OPP detachment boards in the province. Under this consolidation the number of Dufferin County OPP detachment boards was reduced from eight to four, including the Orangeville board. Under O. Reg. 135/24 the Board's membership was increased from five to six with new members appointed and trained in Q2 2024 as follows:

- two Council members – Deputy Mayor Todd Taylor (Chair); Mayor Lisa Post
- three Council appointed community members – Ian McSweeney (Vice-Chair); Warren Maycock; Grant Armstrong
- one provincial appointed community member – Jacqueline Weatherbee

Since December 2023 the Board worked on revising its governance framework to reflect best practices and compliance with significant changes required under the CSPA effective April 1, 2024. This compliance was achieved and was ratified by Board approval on May 21, 2024. The Board's website has been updated to reflect CSPA compliance and to provide public transparency on Board composition and activities.

The Board's governance framework will be reviewed and revised on an ongoing basis to ensure it reflects both best practices and compliance. Council members are encouraged to review the Board's governance framework and the overview memorandum in particular to better understand the Board's and Council's role in community policing.

Copies of the Board's governance framework documents, by-laws and policies are available to Council and to the public through Mary Lou Archer, the Board EA.

OPP Police Services for Orangeville

Effective October 1, 2020, the Board transitioned from a local police services board operating under PSA s.31 to an OPP police services board operating under PSA s.10. This transition occurred in conjunction with a decision by the Town of Orangeville Council to disband the local Orangeville Police Service and replace it with the OPP pursuant to an October 1, 2020 Agreement (term October 1, 2020 - December 30, 2023) for the Provision of Police Services under PSA s.4, 5 and 10 between the Ministry and the Town (the “OPP Agreement”). This OPP Agreement was replaced by an amended agreement effective December 30, 2023 - April 1, 2024. The CSPA governs the OPP policing arrangements in place for Orangeville thereafter. In this regard, under Part V, CSPA ss.67(1) there must be one or more OPP detachment boards in accordance with the regulations, for each OPP detachment that provides policing in a municipality.

CSPA s.64 provides that an OPP-policed municipality shall pay the Minister of Finance for policing, court security and other services (per CSPA s.65) provided by the Commissioner, in the amount and manner set out in the regulations.

O. Reg. 413/23 deals with the amount of OPP police service funding. Subject to s.5 and s.6 of the regulation, the amount a municipality must pay the Minister of Finance pursuant to CSPA ss.64(1) during a target year is the amount determined in accordance with the detailed steps set out in s.4 of the regulation.

Local Action Plan Consultations with Town Council (Policy D3(p) and Policy D3(r))

General

CSPA s.70 requires the Detachment Commander to prepare and adopt (and review/revise at least every four years or where there is an amendment to the Minister's s.61 Strategic Plan) a local Action Plan for the provision of policing in the community. This local Action Plan must be in accordance with any prescribed regulations and must address the topics set out in s.70 which include how adequate and effective policing will be provided in the community served by the detachment, in accordance with the needs and diversity of the community.

Consultations

Under CSPA ss.70(2) the local Action Plan must provide an overview of the consultations that were conducted by the Detachment Commander under CSPA ss.70(3) below and state whether and, if applicable, how the needs and concerns regarding policing identified during the consultations have been addressed by the local Action Plan. These consultations include Town Council and the Board has provided detailed steps under the above policies to ensure Town Council is properly involved and its input received.

Community Awareness Initiative

The Board and the Orangeville OPP Detachment are committed to working with the community to promote safety and security for all residents of Orangeville and Dufferin County and our visitors. We believe that effective policing requires strong partnerships with community organizations, local businesses, and individual community members,

and we are committed to building and maintaining these relationships. The Board, led by Mayor Post, will be developing enhanced community outreach strategies over the balance of 2024.

For more information see our [posted letter to community partners](#).

Grant Writing (Policy D3(v))

The Ministry provides grants, primarily to police services, in collaboration with community partners, in support of local and provincial community safety priorities. The Board collaborates with the Dufferin County OPP and local community partners to apply for grants that align with local community safety priorities. **Policy D3(v)** provides guidance to Board staff and members to ensure the efficient application process for appropriate grants and required follow-up reports and to establish, record and maintain the Board's institutional experience and process in relation to grant writing.

The Board supports mental health initiatives in Dufferin County through a number of initiatives, including through applications for the Community Safety and Policing Grant and the Mobile Crisis Response Team Grant, both of which provide funding for the Dufferin Mobile Response Team. This team has been very effective in reducing the number of apprehensions in favour of ensuring affected individuals receive the medical assistance they need.

The Board's Executive Assistant Mary Lou Archer is the lead on all grant applications and does an excellent job.

Intimate Partner Violence and Gender- Based Violence as a Community Priority (Policy D3(w))

In support of the federal government's August 16, 2023 commitment to ending the gender-based violence (GBV) epidemic "in all its forms" and to "address any gaps in the Criminal Code to ensure a robust justice system response", Town Council joined Orangeville with a growing number of municipalities and regions by passing a resolution declaring GBV and intimate partner violence (IPV) to be an epidemic and demanding action from all levels of government.

In support of Council's leadership, and in recognition that the safety and well-being of the Orangeville community and its residents are of paramount importance, the Board passed a similar resolution in January 2024 and adopted **Policy D3(w)** which includes the following statements and guidelines:

- Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) and Gender-Based Violence (GBV) also known as domestic violence, pose a significant threat to the security and welfare of individuals within our community, involving any use of physical or sexual force, as well as emotional and psychological abuse in intimate relationships.
- The Board endorses the resolutions by both Orangeville Council and Dufferin County Council with regards to IPV and GBV.
- The Board recognizes IPV and GBV as significant concerns affecting the safety and welfare of Orangeville residents.
- The Board commits to prioritizing the prevention and response to IPV and GBV within the community.
- The Board will collaborate with relevant stakeholders, including local government, community organizations, and social support services, to ensure that the prevention and response to IPV and GBV is prioritized in the Community Safety and Well-Being Plan including specific action steps to address IPV/GBV.
- The Board will actively engage in public awareness campaigns and educational initiatives aimed at preventing IPV and GBV, and promoting healthy relationships within the community in accordance with the CSPA.

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Appendix “B”

Part 2 Information

TAB	ATTACHED DOCUMENT
1.	2023-2025 Strategic Plan
2.	2023-2025 Local Action Plan
3.	2022 Action Plan Progress Report
4.	2021 OPP Annual Report

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